



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application: **Duan et al.**

Serial No.: **10/727,719**

Filed: **December 4, 2003**

For: **Method and Apparatus for  
Characterizing Shared Contacts in  
High-Density SRAM Cell Design**

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Group Art Unit: **2858**

Examiner: **Kramskaya, Marina**

Attorney Docket No.: **03-1842**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to LSI Logic Corporation Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to LSI Logic Corporation Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: